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VIA ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Confidential Financial Information Subject to Protective Order Before the Federal Communications Commission, and requesting Confidential treatment for financial information pursuant to §§ 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules. Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection, 2017.

WC 14-58.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Southwest Texas Telephone Company ("Southwest Texas"), GVNW Consulting, Inc. hereby submits the attached redacted and confidential versions of its "FCC Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection" information pursuant to §§ 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules, as filed with the Universal Service Administrative Company. A copy is also being submitted to the Public Utilities Commission of Texas.

Southwest Texas requests confidential treatment under the Protective Order adopted in this proceeding for the § 54.313(f)(2) financial information included in this report on the grounds that it is competitively sensitive information that is secure from public access and this information should not be released publicly for inspection as it could be used to disadvantage or harm Southwest Texas. In addition, Southwest Texas is requesting confidential treatment pursuant to §§ 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules for the Five-Year Build-Out Plan Progress Report and Map that is required by § 54.313(a)(1) to be attached to this report.

In accordance with the Protective Order, one redacted copy marked "REDACTED – FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION" and one non-redacted confidential version marked "CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION – SUBJECT TO A PROTECTIVE ORDER BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION are being filed with the Commission. The redacted copy will be filed *via* the Electronic Comment Filing System.

If you have any questions, please contact me at sgatto@gvnw.com or 830-895-7226.

Sincerely,

Stephen Gatto

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<010>	Study Area Code	442135				
<015>	Study Area Name	SOUTHWEST TEXAS TEL				
<020>	Program Year	2018				
<030>	Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Gary Gilmer				
<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	8306832111 ext.				
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	gary@swtexas.com				
	Form Type	54.313 and 54.422				

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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	ection Form								ON	1B Control No. 3060 v 2013	-0986/OMB Control N	o. 3060-0819
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<039>	Contact Email	l Address - Ema	il Address of pe	erson identified	in data line <0)30> gary@swtexa	s.com					
<210>	For the prior	r calendar yea	ar, were there	e any reportal	ole voice serv	ice outages?	No					
<220>	<a>	<b1></b1>	<b2></b2>	<b3></b3>	<b4></b4>	<c1></c1>	<c2></c2>	<d></d>	<e></e>	<f></f>	<g></g>	<h></h>
	NORS Reference Number	Outage Start Date	Outage Start Time	Outage End Date	_	Number of Customers Affected	Total Number of Customers	911 Facilities Affected (Yes / No)	Service Outage Description (Check all that apply)	Did This Outage Affect Multiple Study Areas (Yes / No)	Service Outage Resolution	Preventativ Procedures
												

,	too) Unfulfilled Service Request ata Collection Form FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 306						
			July 2013				
<010>	Study Area Code	442135					
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	gary@swtexas.com					
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<310> Detail on attempts (voice)							
	Name	of Attached Document					
<320>	Unfulfilled service request (broadband)	0					
<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)							
	N	ame of Attached Document					

(400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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<010>	Study Area Code 442135
<015>	Study Area Name SOUTHWEST TEXAS TEL
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<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Gary Gilmer
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 8306832111 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line gary@swtexas.com <030>
<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice 0.0
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband 0.0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband

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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	gary@swtexas.com				
<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer pro	otection rules Yes				
		442135tx510.pdf				
<510> Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance						
<515>	Certify compliance with applicable minimum service standards					

(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	gary@swtexas.com
<600> Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610> Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	442135tx610.pdf

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data		FCC Form 481
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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date <702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge		

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					Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
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(710) Broadbrand Price Offerings	FCC Form 481
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				- See attacl	ned				
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(800) Op	erating Companies			FCC Form 481		
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<039>	Contact Email Address -	Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	gary@swtexas.com			
<810>	Reporting Carrier	Southwest Texas Telephone Company				
<811>	Holding Company	Southwest Texas Telcom, Inc.				
<812>	Operating Company	Southwest Texas Telephone Company				

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Additional Pattern Person USAC should contact regarding this data Secty Gillimer		·	
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Data Con	ection form		July 2013
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<1000>	Voice services rate comparability certification	Yes	
<1010>	Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance	4421	135tx1010.pdf
			Name of Attached Document
<1020>	Broadband comparability certification		s - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by e Wireline Competition Bureau
<1030>	Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance	44213	35tx1030.pdf
			Name of Attached Document

	o Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting lection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
<010> <015> <020> <030> <035> <039>	Study Area Code Study Area Name Program Year Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	442135 SOUTHWEST TEXAS TEL 2018 Gary Gilmer 8306832111 ext. gary@swtexas.com	
<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)	Yes	
<1130>	Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).	kbps	

Lifeline	erms and Condition for Lifeline Customers ection Form			FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<010>	Study Area Code		442135	
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<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans		442135tx1210.pdf	
<1220>	Link to Public Website	L нттр		Name of Attached Document
or the we	heck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 12 bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to (a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must report: Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice			
	telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,			
<1222> <1223>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.	V		

(2005) Pr	rice Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481
Data Coll	lection Form		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
Including	Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers		July 2013
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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

<2011>	3rd Year Certification 47 CFR §54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 2017 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support.		
<2022>	Recipient certifies, representing year three after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4		
<2023>	Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only. The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.		
<2024A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?		
<2024B>	Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
<2025A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?		
<2025B>	Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 2 for year three) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73, paragraph 35 (May 22, 2013).	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
<2015>	2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)		

(2005) Price Cap	Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 481		
Data Collection F	Form		3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819	
Including Rate-of-	Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers	July 2013		
Price Ca	p Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}			
<2016>	Certification support used to build broadband			
Connect	America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}			
<2017A>	Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?			
<2017C>	Total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2016.			
<2018>	Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(A)	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information		
<2019>	Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(C)			

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 481
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Select from the drop down menu or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3009)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)				
			Yes - Att	ach Certifica	tion
(3010A)	Certification of Public Interest Obligations {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}				442135tx3010b.pdf
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Doo Information	cument List	ing Required	
(3012A)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	No - No New Community	y Anchors		
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Doo Information	cument List	ing Required	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	()	0	
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	\odot	O	
	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:				
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		L_	<u>~</u>	
(3016)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows			<i>-</i>	442135tx3017.pdf
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Doo Information	cument List	ing Required	
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	(Yes/No)	0	0	
	If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:				
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS				
(3020)	Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows				
(3021)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line				
(3022)	3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains: Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for				
(3023)	Telecommunications Borrowers Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant				
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.				
(3025)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows				
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Doo Information	cument List	ing Required	

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)	FCC Form 481
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Financial Data Commun.	
Financial Data Summary	
(3027) Revenue	
(3028) Operating Expenses	
(3029) Net Income	
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(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)	
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(3034) Dividends	

(4005) Rural Broadband Experiment Additional Documentation Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

speed and data usage allowances available in the

relevant geographic area.

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003	В.	
4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (par	agraph 80)	
4004a . Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
4004b . Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing offered broadband	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

Certification - Reporting Carrier	FCC Form 481	
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: Signature of Authorized Officer: Date Printed name of Authorized Officer: Title or position of Authorized Officer: Telephone number of Authorized Officer: Filing Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment

under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form			FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

I certify that (Name of Agent)_ <u>GVNW_Consulting</u> , Inc. also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my resp agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data p	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting possibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the autrovided to the autrovided to the authorized agent is accurate.	•
Name of Authorized Agent: GVNW Consulting, Inc.		
Name of Reporting Carrier: SOUTHWEST TEXAS TEL		
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/14/2017	
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Gary Gilmer		
Title or position of Authorized Officer: President		
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 8306832111 ext.		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 442135	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/03/2017	
, ,	ished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment der Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier				
Certification of Agent Additineed to the Annual Reports for CAL of Effectiveness of	behalf of Reporting Carrier			
l, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipier the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information repo				
Name of Reporting Carrier: SOUTHWEST TEXAS TEL				
Name of Authorized Agent Firm: GVNW Consulting, Inc.				
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/14/2017			
Name of Authorized Agent Employee: Stephen Gatto				
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Consultant				
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 8308957226 ext.				
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 442135 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/03/2017				
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Attachments

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data	FCC Form 481
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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date

1/1/2017

Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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				Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
TX	Barksdale		FR	14.5	0.0	0.59	3.5	18.59
TX	Camp Wood		FR	16.13	0.0	0.59	1.87	18.59
TX	D'Hanis		FR	14.5	0.0	0.59	3.5	18.59
TX	Rocksprings		FR	18.0	0.0	0.59	0.0	18.59
TX	Utopia		FR	15.08	0.0	0.59	2.92	18.59
TX	Vinegarroon		FR	14.5	0.0	0.59	3.5	18.59

(710) Broadband Price Offerings Data Collection Form OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013

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			Residential	State Regulated	Total Rates	Broadband Service -	Broadband Service	Usage Allowance	Usage Allowance
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Rate	Fees	and Fees	Download Speed	-Upload Speed (Mbps)	(GB)	Action Taken
						(Mbps)	оргова оргова (ггаро)		When Limit Reached {select}
	TX	All	49.95	0.0	49.95	3.0	0.768	999999	Other, None
	TX	All	59.95	0.0	59.95	6.0	1.0	999999	Other, None
	TX	All	69.95	0.0	69.95	10.0	1.0	999999	Other, None
	TX	All	79.95	0.0	79.95	15.0	6.0	999999	Other, None
	TX	All	99.99	0.0	99.99	50.0	6.0	999999	Other, None
	TX	All	129.99	0.0	129.99	100.0	25.0	999999	Other, None
							<u> </u>		

	perating Companies Election Form			FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Southwest Texas Telephone Company		
<811>	Holding Company	Southwest Texas Telcom, Inc.		

Southwest Texas Telephone Company

<812> Operating Company

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	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
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Attachment File: 442135tx510.pdf

SOUTHWEST TEXAS TELEPHONE COMPANY – SAC 442135

FCC Form - Program Year 2018

Line 510

COMPLIANCE WITH SERVICE QUALITY STANDARDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION RULES - § 54.313(a)(5)

Southwest Texas Telephone Company ("Southwest Texas" or "the Company") complies with all applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules as required by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") and the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC").

The rates, terms and conditions under which the Company operates are identified in its Local Exchange Tariff, which is approved by the PUC. The Company's tariff contains provisions regarding its customer service and protection practices, including resolving customer disputes, applying for, refusing, disconnection, and cancellation of service. Rates and terms of service are disclosed to customers upon application for service as part of a packet of information for new customers.

Service quality standards are established by the PUC and Southwest Texas consistently meets or exceeds those requirements. The Company provides an annual report to the Texas PUC pursuant to the commission's rules.

The protection of its customers' privacy and information is a constant part of Southwest Texas' quality of service. The Company has a policy and operating procedures that comply with the FCC's Customer Proprietary Network Information ("CPNI") rules (47 C.F.R §§ 64.2001 – 64.2011). Certification of Southwest Texas' compliance with the FCC's CPNI rules is filed with the FCC annually.

Attachment File: 442135tx610.pdf

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FCC Form 481 – Program Year 2018

Line 610

ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS - § 54.313(a)(6)

Southwest Texas Telephone Company ("Southwest Texas" or "the Company") is capable of functioning in emergency situations. Southwest Texas has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without a commercial external power source. The Company has permanently installed standby power generators at its exchange switching offices and remote switching locations have a minimum of eight (8) hours of backup battery capacity. These remote sites are also equipped to accept portable emergency power if necessary. The Company's network is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency conditions.

Attachment File: 442135tx1010.pdf

SOUTHWEST TEXAS TELEPHONE COMPANY – SAC 442135

FCC Form - Program Year 2018

Line 1010

DESCRIPTION OF VOICE SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY - § 54.313(a)(10)

Southwest Texas Telephone Company ("Southwest Texas" or "the Company") Voice Services Pricing is no more than two standard deviations above the applicable urban rate floor for voice services. On February 14, 2017, the Wireline Competition Bureau ("Bureau") established a new average urban floor rate of \$22.49 and a maximum of \$49.51 as the Rate Comparability Benchmark. The FCC's previously announced phase-in of the floor rate was frozen at \$18.00 by the FCC (May 17, 2017). As shown by Southwest Texas' response to Line 700 (Attachment File: 442135tx700.pdf), Southwest Texas' total residential voice service rate plus mandatory state fees is \$18.59. When all state and federal mandatory charges are added to Southwest Texas' residential voice service rate the total rate is below the \$49.51 Rate Comparability Benchmark set by the Bureau.

Attachment File: 442135tx1030.pdf

SOUTHWEST TEXAS TELEPHONE COMPANY – SAC 442135

FCC Form - Program Year 2018

Line 1030

<u>DESCRIPTION OF BROADBAND SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY - §54.313(a)(12)</u>

Southwest Texas Telephone Company's ("Southwest Texas" or "the Company") Broadband Services Pricing meets the FCC's broadband pubic interest obligations because it offers broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream at no more than the applicable benchmark for broadband services announced by the Bureau on February 14, 2017 (DA 17-167).

As shown by Southwest Texas's response to Line 710 on its Form 481 filing, Southwest Texas offers broadband service at actual speeds of 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream with no usage allowances for \$69.95. Since the Bureau's Benchmark Table for 2017 included in DA 17-167 indicates that broadband service of 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream with no usage allowances should be offered at no more than \$77.98, Southwest Texas's 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream broadband service offering at \$69.95 meets the Bureau's requirement for broadband reasonable comparability service rates.

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LOCAL RATE SCHEDULE

V. LIFELINE SERVICE

A. General

- 1. Lifeline Service is a retail local service offering sponsored by the FCC and available to qualifying low-income consumers.
- 2. Consumers qualifying for Lifeline Service are offered the services or functionalities enumerated in 47 Code of Federal Regulations §54.101(a)(1)-(8) (relating to Supported Services for Rural, Insular and High Cost Areas).
- 3. The Company shall offer toll restriction at no charge to all qualifying low-income consumers at the time such consumers subscribe to Lifeline Service. If the consumer elects to receive toll restriction, that service shall become part of the consumer's Lifeline Service.
- 4. A customer otherwise eligible to receive the Lifeline Service shall not be prohibited from obtaining and using telecommunication equipment and services designed to aid such customer in utilizing qualifying telecommunication services.
- 5. Lifeline Service rate reductions do not apply to long distance service, 976 and other information provider services, or any other optional services or functionalities (i.e., custom calling features, construction, etc.) which may or may not be tariffed. Customers may obtain such services including bundled service, where available, at their discretion, although the Lifeline Service reduction only applies to basic service charges in the bundled service.
- 6. The Company will waive number portability charges, subject to the tariff, for the Lifeline customer.

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LOCAL RATE SCHEDULE

V. LIFELINE SERVICE (Continued)

- A. General (Continued)
 - 6. The Lifeline Service rate reductions do not apply to service connection charges, except that customers eligible for the Link Up America program will receive a reduction in applicable service connection charges, as set forth in Section of this tariff.
 - 7. Lifeline Service will not be available on a retroactive basis except at the direction of the Low Income Discount Administrator (LIDA) or the Commission.
 - 8. A consumer eligible for Lifeline Service is automatically eligible for Link Up Service. However, a consumer may qualify for and receive Lifeline Service independently of Link Up Service.
- B. Eligibility Requirements
 - The discounted service will be provided for one (1) residential telephone line per household, at the subscriber's principal place of residence.
 - 2. The applicant must have only one local exchange access line to the residential premises or dwelling place.
 - 3. The applicant must certify that their annual household income is at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines, is an eligible resident of Tribal lands, or participates in, or has a person or child who resides in the customer household who participates in one of the following programs:
 - Medicaid
 - Food Stamps
 - Low-income Home Energy Assistance Programs (HEAP)
 - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
 - Federal public housing assistance
 - State Child Health Plan

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LOCAL RATE SCHEDULE

- V. LIFELINE SERVICE (Continued)
 - B. Eligibility Requirements (Continued)
 - 4. The discontinuance of the Tel-Assistance program effective September 1, 2001 allows the Company to move Tel-Assistance customers to Lifeline Service. The Company has no exchanges where a customer's local service rate under Tel-Assistance is a greater benefit, therefore, customers will be grandfathered at Lifeline rates. Rates will apply until the customer's service is discontinued or the customer is determined ineligible under this Section.
 - 5. Procedures for Establishing Eligibility
 - (a) Consumers within the Company's service area identified as eligible for Lifeline Service by the Low-Income Discount Administrator (LIDA) through the automatic enrollment process under Commission Substantive Rule 26.412, shall be provided Lifeline Service discounts unless the Company receives a customer request to be excluded from such discounts. Consumers who are eligible for Lifeline Service but do not have telephone service at the time the LIDA provides its eligibility list to the Company are responsible for contacting the Company and initiating a request for Link-Up Service from the Company.

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LOCAL RATE SCHEDULE

- IV. LIFELINE SERVICE (Continued)
 - B. Eligibility Requirements (Continued)
 - 5. Procedures for Establishing Lifeline Discounts (Continued)
 - (b) LIDA shall provide the Company with a monthly list of consumers eligible for Lifeline Service.
 - (c) The Company shall provide Lifeline Service to all eligible consumers identified by LIDA within its service area if the consumer is a customer of the Company. Within 30 days after receipt of the list, the Company shall begin reduced billing for those eligible lowincome consumers.
 - (d) If the eligible consumer changes the telephone service to qualifying services or initiates new qualifying service, the Company shall begin reduced billing at the time the change of service becomes effective or at the time the new service is established. No service charges apply to convert a consumer's account to Lifeline Service.
 - (e) The Company will discontinue Lifeline Service discounts upon notice by LIDA that a customer is no longer eligible for Lifeline.
 - (f) The Company has provided a confidentiality agreement to LIDA specifying the use of confidential client information is solely for providing Lifeline Service.

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LOCAL RATE SCHEDULE

IV. LIFELINE SERVICE (Continued)

- C. Deposits
 - 2. The deposit requirements will be waived for Lifeline Service applicants who voluntarily elect to subscribe to Toll Restriction Service.
- D. Lifeline Service Discounts
 - 1. Eligible consumers who subscribe to Lifeline Service will receive the following discounts:
 - (a) Federal Lifeline support amount. The Company shall grant qualifying low-income consumers support of \$9.25 per month or equal to the support amount as directed by the Federal Communications Commission in Chapter 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations regarding Lifeline support.
 - (b) DELETED
 - (c) State reduction. The Company shall grant qualifying low-income consumers the state-approved reduction of up to \$3.50 in the monthly amount of intrastate charges due.
 - (d) Area Discount. The Company shall give qualifying low-income consumers an area discount composed of up to 25% of any actual rate increase by the Company. The discount shall be consistent with the P.U.C.'s Universal Service Plan. The area discount will apply to Lifeline providers operating in the Company's service area. The area discount amount is \$1.00.
 - (e) Combined Lifeline Discounts. The combined discounts shall not result in a rate less than zero charged for basic local service.

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Issued: 05/01/2016 Effective: 06/01/2016

By: Gary C. Gilmer, President

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LOCAL RATE SCHEDULE

V. LIFELINE SERVICE (Continued)

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- E. Service Charges
 - 1. Service charges do not apply when eligible customers with existing residential service convert to Lifeline Service.
 - 2. Service charges apply when:
 - (a) At the time Lifeline Service billing is initiated, where existing eligible residential local exchange access service customers request additional features, such as special or custom calling features.
 - (b) A customer receiving Lifeline Service voluntarily elects to convert to telephone service arrangements, which preclude Lifeline Service eligibility.
 - (c) New residential applicants (those without existing local exchange access service) eligible for the Lifeline Program will be subject to applicable service charges, except those new customers who qualify for the Link Up America program as specified in Section 5 of this tariff.
 - 3. Any subsequent moves or changes after the initial connection to Lifeline Service will be subject to applicable service charges.
- F. Payments and Disconnection of Service
 - 1. The Company may not disconnect Lifeline Service for nonpayment of toll charges.
 - 2. A Lifeline customer is required to adhere to the same bill payment policies applicable to all of the Company's customers.



SOUTHWEST TEXAS TELEPHONE COMPANY

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June 8, 2017

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743

re:

WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual Report, Form 481 for High-Cost Recipient

54.313(f)(1) "Milestone Certification"

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In compliance with the Commission's rules pursuant to § 54.313(f)(1) relating to the filing of Form 481, Southwest Texas Telephone Company, SAC – 442135, wishes to certify to the Commission that the Company:

Has taken reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas, at rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas, and that reasonable requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time.

If you have any questions, I may be contacted at 830-683-2111.

Sincerely,

Gary C. Gilmer

President

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0031. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, establishing the specific and accomplating and majority into the data peached and complating and majority in the data peached and complating and peached an

searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the	ne data needed, and con	npleting and reviewing	the collection of information.					
USDA-RUS			This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.					
			and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential information, will be treated as confidential.					
			BORROWER NAME					
OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS			Southwest Texas Telephone Company					
		-	(Prepared with Audited Data)					
INSTRUCTIONS-Submit report to RUS within 30 day.	s after close of the p	eriod.	PERIOD ENDING E	BORROWER DESIGNATION	ON			
For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Re				TX0558				
		CI	ERTIFICATION					
to the best of our knowledge and belief.	CFR PART 1788	, CHAPTER XVI	ounts and other records of the system and reflect the stat. I, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTIN					
DURING THE PERIO	D COVERED BY		PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER X e of the following)	XVII				
X All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects.	uments		There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligation under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report	•				
Gary Gilmer		5/31/2017						
		DATE	-					
		PART	A. BALANCE SHEET					
	BALANCE	BALANCE		BALANCE	BALANCE			
ASSETS	PRIOR YEAR	END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	PRIOR YEAR	END OF PERIOD			
CURRENT ASSETS	TRIOR TEAR	END OF TERIOD	CURRENT LIABILITIES	TRIOR TEAR	END OF TEXTOR			
			25. Accounts Payable					
Cash and Equivalents Cash-RUS Construction Fund								
			26. Notes Payable					
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments					
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits					
b. Other Accounts Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt					
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.					
4. Non-Affiliates:			31. Current MatCapital Leases					
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			32. Income Taxes Accrued					
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued					
c. Notes Receivable			34. Other Current Liabilities					
Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)					
Material-Regulated			LONG-TERM DEBT					
7. Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes					
8. Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes					
Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes					
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			39. Funded Debt-Other					
NONCURRENT ASSETS			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan					
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt					
a. Rural Development			42. Reacquired Debt					
b. Nonrural Development			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease					
12. Other Investments			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies					
a. Rural Development			45. Other Long-Term Debt					
b. Nonrural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)					
13. Nonregulated Investments			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS					
14. Other Noncurrent Assets			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities					
15. Deferred Charges			48. Other Deferred Credits					
16. Jurisdictional Differences			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences					
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)					
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY					
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service			51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed					
19. Property Held for Future Use			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital					
20. Plant Under Construction			53. Treasury Stock					
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates					
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation			55. Other Capital					
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			56. Patronage Capital Credits					
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins					
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)					
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)					
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Total Equity =

% of Total Assets

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PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS										
ITEM		PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR							
Local Network Services Revenues										
2. Network Access Services Revenues										
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues										
Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues										
5. Miscellaneous Revenues										
6. Uncollectible Revenues										
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)										
Plant Specific Operations Expense										
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization	n)									
10. Depreciation Expense	,									
11. Amortization Expense										
12. Customer Operations Expense										
13. Corporate Operations Expense										
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)										
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)										
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses										
17. State and Local Taxes										
18. Federal Income Taxes										
19. Other Taxes										
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)										
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)										
22. Interest on Funded Debt										
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases										
24. Other Interest Expense										
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction										
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)										
27. Nonoperating Net Income										
28. Extraordinary Items										
29. Jurisdictional Differences										
30. Nonregulated Net Income										
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)										
32. Total Taxes Based on Income										
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year										
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date										
35. Dividends Declared (Common)										
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)										
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date										
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital										
39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38))]									
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year										
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital										
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired										
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)										
44. Annual Debt Service Payments										
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]										
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]										
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]										
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]										

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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION										
	1. RA	ATES	2. SUBS	CRIBERS (ACCESS LIN	ES)	3. ROUTE	MILES			
EXCHANGE	B-1 (a)	R-1 (b)	BUSINESS (a)	RESIDENTIAL (b)	TOTAL (c)	TOTAL (including fiber) (a)	FIBER (b)			
Barksdale										
Camp Wood										
D'Hanis										
Rocksprings										
Utopia										
Vinegarroon										
MobileWireless										
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area										
Total										
No. Exchanges										

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	4. BROADBAND SERVICE											
				Detail	s on Least Expen	sive Broadband S	ervice					
EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available	No Of Broadband Subscribers	Number Of Subscribers	Advertised Download Rate (Kbps)	Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps)	Price Per Month	Standalone/Pckg	Type Of Technology				
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(f)	(g)				
Barksdale												
Camp Wood												
D'Hanis												
Rocksprings												
Utopia												
Vinegarroon												
Total												

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		PART D. SYSTE	M DATA									
1. No. Plant Employees	2. No. Other Employees	3. Square Miles Served		4. Access Lines per Squar	re Mile	5. Subscribers per Route Mile						
	PART E. TOLL DATA											
Study Area ID Code(s)	2. Types of Toll	Settlements (Check on	e)									
	a. 442135		Interstate:	Average Schedul	e	X Cost Basis						
	b.			<u></u>		_						
	с.		Intrastate:	Average Schedul	е	X Cost Basis						
	d											
	e											
	f											
	g											
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	j											
	PART F.	FUNDS INVESTED IN	PLANT DURING YE	AR								
1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Fur	nds Expended											
Other Long-Term Loan Fund	ds Expended											
Funds Expended Under RU	S Interim Approval					-						
Other Short-Term Loan Fun	ds Expended											
General Funds Expended (0)	Other than Interim)					-						
Salvaged Materials						-						
Contribution in Aid to Consti						-						
Gross Additions to Telecom	. Plant (1 thru 7)											
	PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES											
		CURRENT	YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE D	ATA						
				Cumulative	Cumulative							
	INVESTMENTS	Investment	Income/Loss	Investment	Income/Loss	Current						
		This Year	This Year	To Date	To Date	Balance						
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)						
Investment in Affiliated Com	npanies - Rural Development											
2. Investment in Affiliated Com	npanies - Nonrural Development											

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PART H. CURRE	NT DEPRECIATION RATES				
Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one)		X	YES		NO
EQUIPMENT CATEGORY			DEPRECIA	ATION R	ATE
Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles					
Land and support assets - Aircraft					
Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles					
Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment					
5. Land and support assets - Buildings					
Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment					
7. Land and support assets - General purpose computers					
Central Office Switching - Digital					
Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical					
10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems					
11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems					
12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment					
13. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus					
14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring					
15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchang	ges				
16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equ	uipment				
17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment					
18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles					
19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal					
20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber					
21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal					
22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber					
23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal					
24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber	24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber				
25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems					
26. Cable and wire facilities - Other					
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	PART I – STATEMENT OF C	ASH FLOWS	
1.	Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)		
	CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITI	ES	
2.	Net Income		
	Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by	Operating Activities	
3.	Add: Depreciation		
	4. Add: Amortization		
5.	Other (Explain)		
	Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities		
6.	Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable		
7.	Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory		
8.	Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges		
9.	Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets		
10.	Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable		
11.	Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments		
12.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities		
13.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations		
	CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIE	ES	
14.	Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable		
15.	Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable		
16.	Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits		
17.	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)		
18.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits		
19.	Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certification	cates & Other Capital	
20.	Less: Payment of Dividends		
21.	Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
22.	Other (Explain) Distributions to Shareholders		
23.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities		
-	CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIE	ES	
24.	Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)		
25.	Other Long-Term Investments		
26.	Ü		
27.	Other (Explain)		
	Plant Removal Cost, Salvage, Retirement of Plant		

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Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities

Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash

Ending Cash

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